

New Chief Appointed By Mayor

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NORTH PORT CHARLOTTE — Alfred J. Sendker, a former state police commander in Buffalo, N.Y., has been named to head the North Port Charlotte Police Department by Mayor Flavius Wood.

Sendker will succeed U. G. Canfield, police chief since the incorporation of North Port Charlotte in 1959.

Canfield resigned Tuesday, "by request," he said.

He claimed he was told to quit because he did not support Mayor Wood in the Aug. 6 municipal election.

The new mayor denied Canfield's charge. He said the change was made to assure better coordination between a new chief and Commissioner Hubert Fox, who is in charge of public works.